IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

ROBERT LUCAS,	
Plaintiff,) Civil Action No. 2:10-cv-00874-MRH)
V.)
AMERICAN CLEAN ENERGY SYSTEMS, INC. and DOES 1-25,)))
Defendants.)

PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO ACES' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE AFFIDAVIT OF BRENT KERGER, PH.D., DABT, IN SUPPORT OF ITS BRIEF IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT

AND now comes plaintiff through counsel and files this Response to ACES' Motion for Leave to File Affidavit of Brent A. Kerger, Ph.D., DABT. Defendant, ACES, requests leave to file and insert another affidavit on the basis that plaintiff during oral argument set forth a new basis that ACES was a "manufacturer" rather than a distributor because Mr. Brian Schubert copied the information from Mr. Tal's MSDS onto a new but identical version for ACES II. However, plaintiff did not suggest any new argument because ACES has always been a manufacturer and not merely a distributor. The first basis for this argument is ACES's own MSDS that states:

Manufacturer's name and address: American Clean Energy Systems, Inc. 8679 Freeway Drive Macedonia, OH USA 44056-1535

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Mr. Schubert's testimony as to how he created the MSDS sheet, even if by copying it

verbatim from Mr. Tal, suggest direct involvement as a manufacturer of the product and

necessary warnings.

The issues raised by ACES as to the version of the regulation is merely a subterfuge to re-

argue points that it could have covered in its original response. The only difference articulated in

either the motion or the affidavit between the 1994 and the 2012 version is in the affidavit: "This

language [in the 2012 version] arguably changes the nature of the prior version of the HCS

(OSHA, 1994) from being a performance-based standard to being a more prescriptive standard

type used in other countries". How this more "prescriptive" language imposes a different

liability on ACES than the "performance based" language is not explained by ACES. Apart from

remarking on the obligation to classify hazards, the rest of the affidavit is focused on the

adequacy of the ACES labels, when this should have been formulated his response in October.

Accordingly, plaintiff opposes ACES' Motion for Leave to File the Affidavit of Brent A.

Kerger, Ph.D., DABT.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served via the Court's CM/ECF System upon counsel of record this 3rd day of February 2017.

/s/ Gregory G. Paul
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